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PREFACE

This report is a summary of selected information on transportation and infiltration activity in southeast Asia as reported by NPIC during the period indicated on the cover. Those lines of communication and associated facilities which support communist insurgency in Laos and South Vietnam are emphasized.

Items are numbered and arranged according to location from north to south. Annotated maps of varying scales have been included to assist the reader in locating the items. Each large-scale map depicts all motorable roads photographically confirmed by NPIC unless otherwise indicated.

Missions, mission dates, frames, and NPIC cable and briefing board references are listed after each item, as appropriate.

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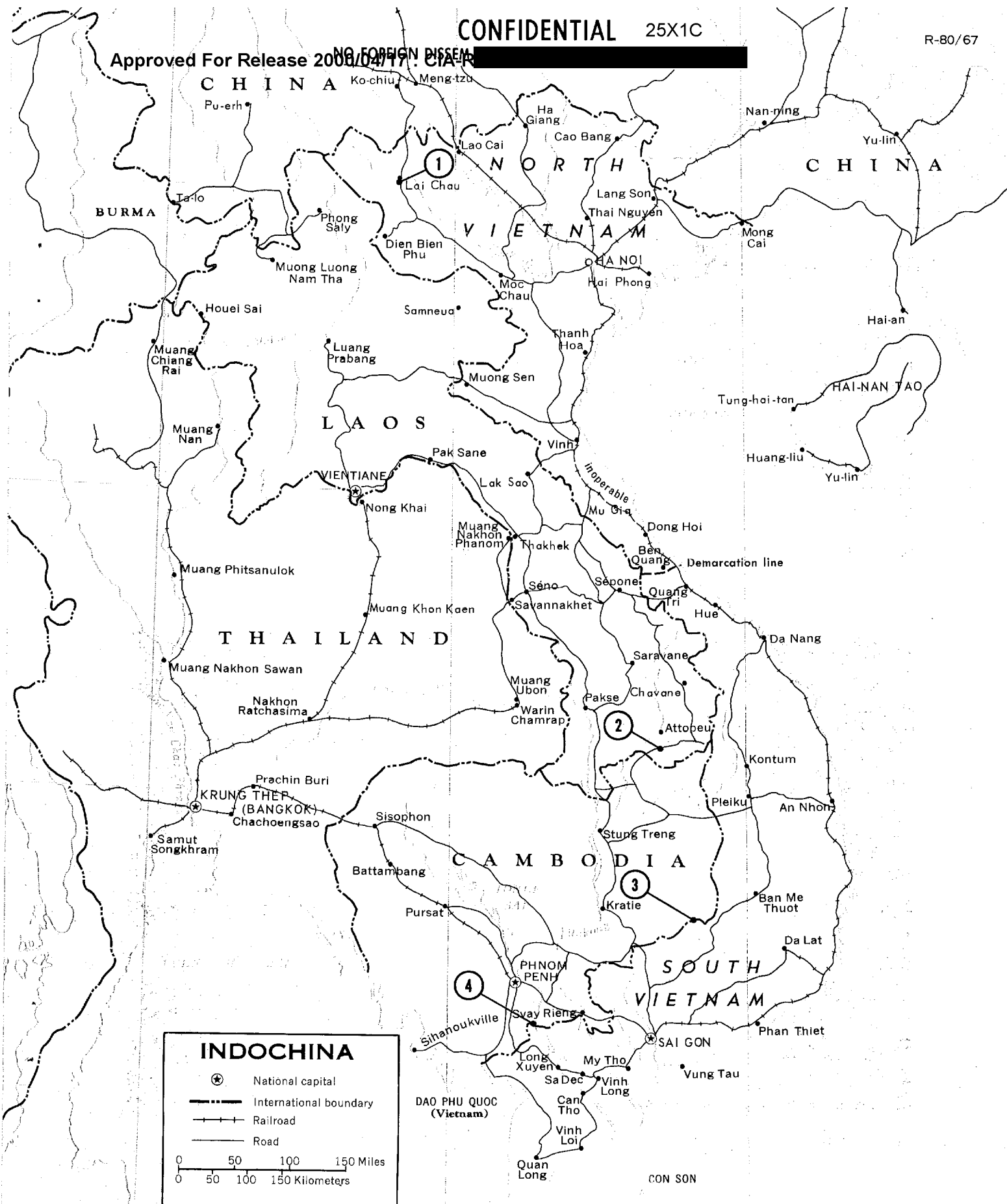
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1. River Crossings Under Construction, Lai Chau Area, North Vietnam

Construction continues on the previously reported road north of the Black River in the Lai Chau area, North Vietnam, at 22-04N 103-10E (see Summary 39, Figure 5). Extensive earth moving is now in progress between Route 6 at UTM [REDACTED] (Figure 1). A parallel road is under construction on the south bank between [REDACTED]. The elevation of the construction above the river, the general alignment of the construction termini, and the annual inundation of the Lai Chau area suggest that these roads are possibly being constructed for bridge approaches.

Two operational ferry crossings are located in the vicinity of [REDACTED] with a disassembled pontoon ferry at one of the northern landings (Figure 2). A large vehicular ferry boat is moored nearby. An additional ferry crossing will probably be established at [REDACTED] and its northern approach road is now under construction west from Route 6 at [REDACTED]

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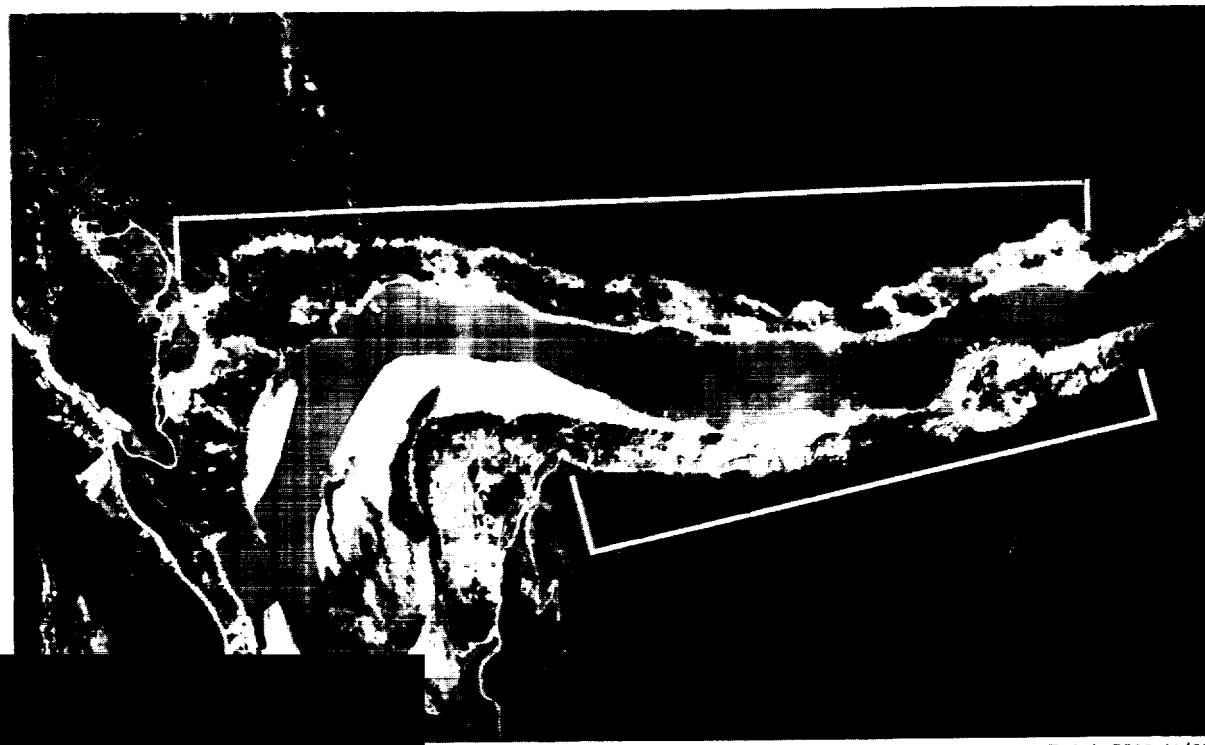


FIGURE 1. POSSIBLE BRIDGE APPROACH ROADS UNDER CONSTRUCTION, LAI CHAU AREA, NORTH VIETNAM

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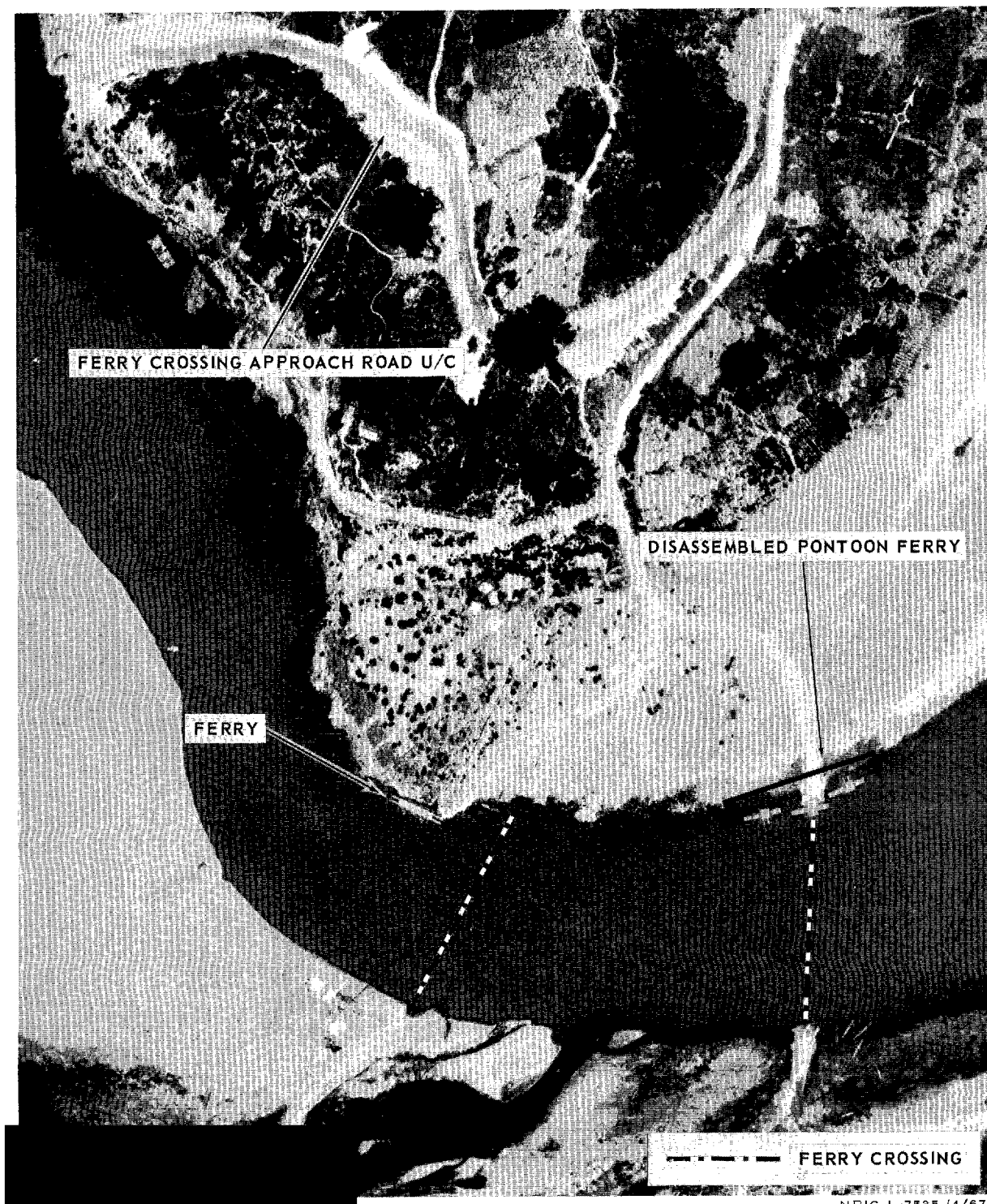


FIGURE 2. RIVER CROSSINGS, LAI CHAU AREA, NORTH VIETNAM

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2. By-Pass Roads, Route 110, Laos

Construction has been completed on the major by-pass road north of Laos Route 110 in the vicinity of 14-41N 106-46E. Vehicle tracks are discernible along its entire 8-nm length between UTM's [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. An additional road is under construction west from this by-pass toward Route 110 between [REDACTED]. The intermittent grading along this alignment indicates possible presence of earth moving equipment.

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3. Increased Probable Insurgent Activity, Ph O Moha Area, Cambodia

Recent aerial photography reveals a significant increase in the probable insurgent activity in the Ph O Moha Base area at 12-08N 106-55E, immediately north of the Cambodia/South Vietnam border and 9 nm northeast of Budop, South Vietnam. Since the area was last reported in Summary 36, Section VI, numerous additional partially concealed buildings and newly constructed roads have been identified. (Compare Figure 4, not annotated on accompanying map, with mosaic in referenced report.)

Ten probable encampments (two shown in Figures 6 and 7), containing a total of at least 170 buildings, have now been identified within Cambodia (see accompanying map). Extensive fields of associated row crops are scattered throughout the area. Two additional probable encampments are located immediately south of the border, within South Vietnam (one shown in Figure 8).

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25X1D motorable border crossings into South Vietnam, at UIMs [REDACTED]
25X1D and [REDACTED]. Four access roads extend east from Cambodia Route 14 into
the area at [REDACTED] (Figure 5), [REDACTED] (Figure 25X1D
3) -- the latter two being newly constructed. All roads, including those
crossing into South Vietnam, exhibit evidence of heavy vehicular use.

Five probable trucks are parked within the encampment at [REDACTED] 25X1D
(Figure 6). This represents the first photographic confirmation of
vehicles within the base area since it was identified in [REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1D Previously reported truck parks adjacent to Route 14 at [REDACTED] 25X1D
[REDACTED] (Figures 3 and 5) continue to be active. An additional truck
park has been identified adjacent to an access road at [REDACTED] 25X1D

(NOTE: Representative buildings are annotated on accompanying
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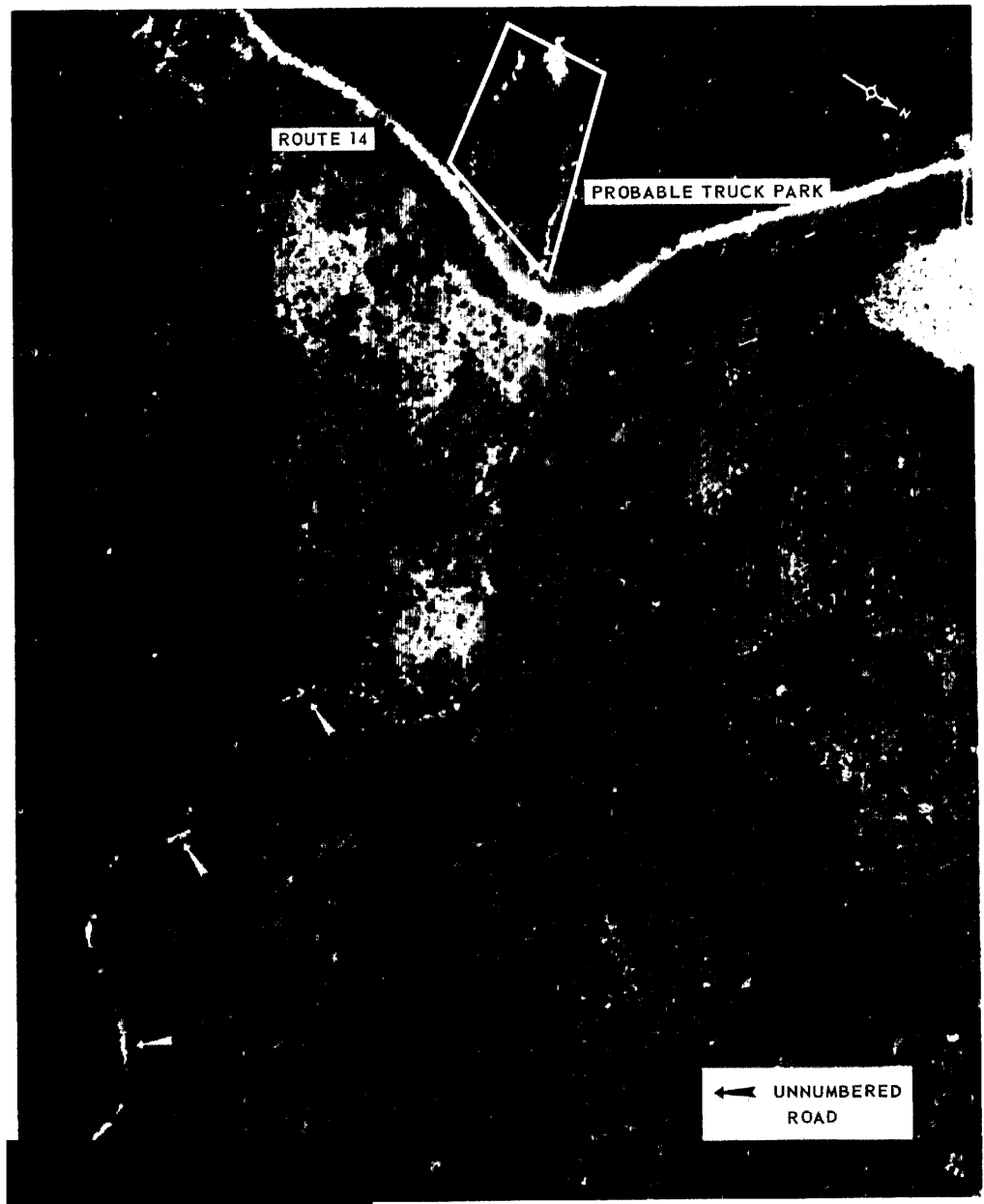


FIGURE 3. JUNCTION OF ROUTE 14 AND UNNUMBERED ROAD (12-09N 106-53E), CAMBODIA

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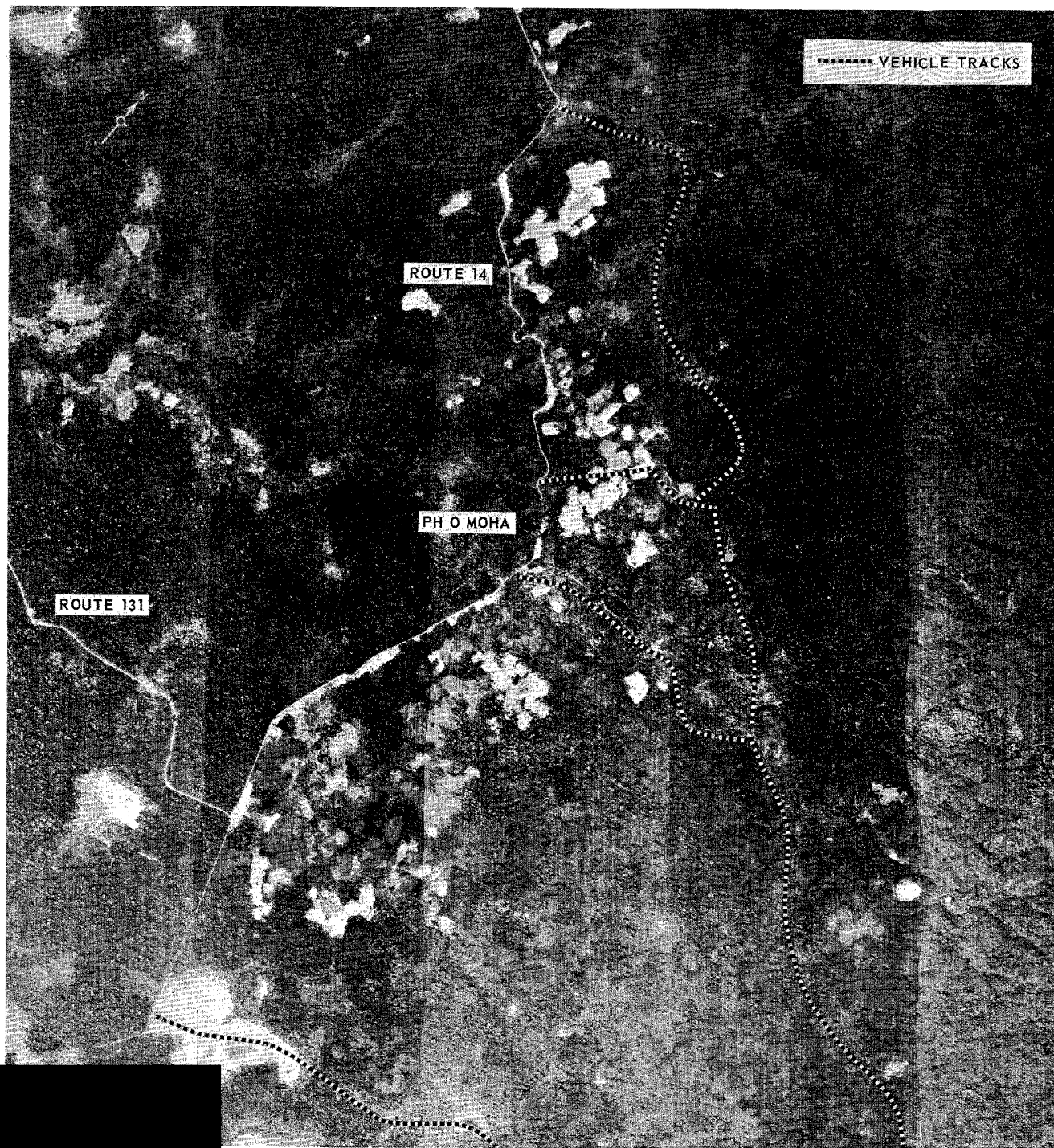


FIGURE 4. PROBABLY INSURGENT ROAD NETWORK, PH O MOHA AREA, CAMBODIA

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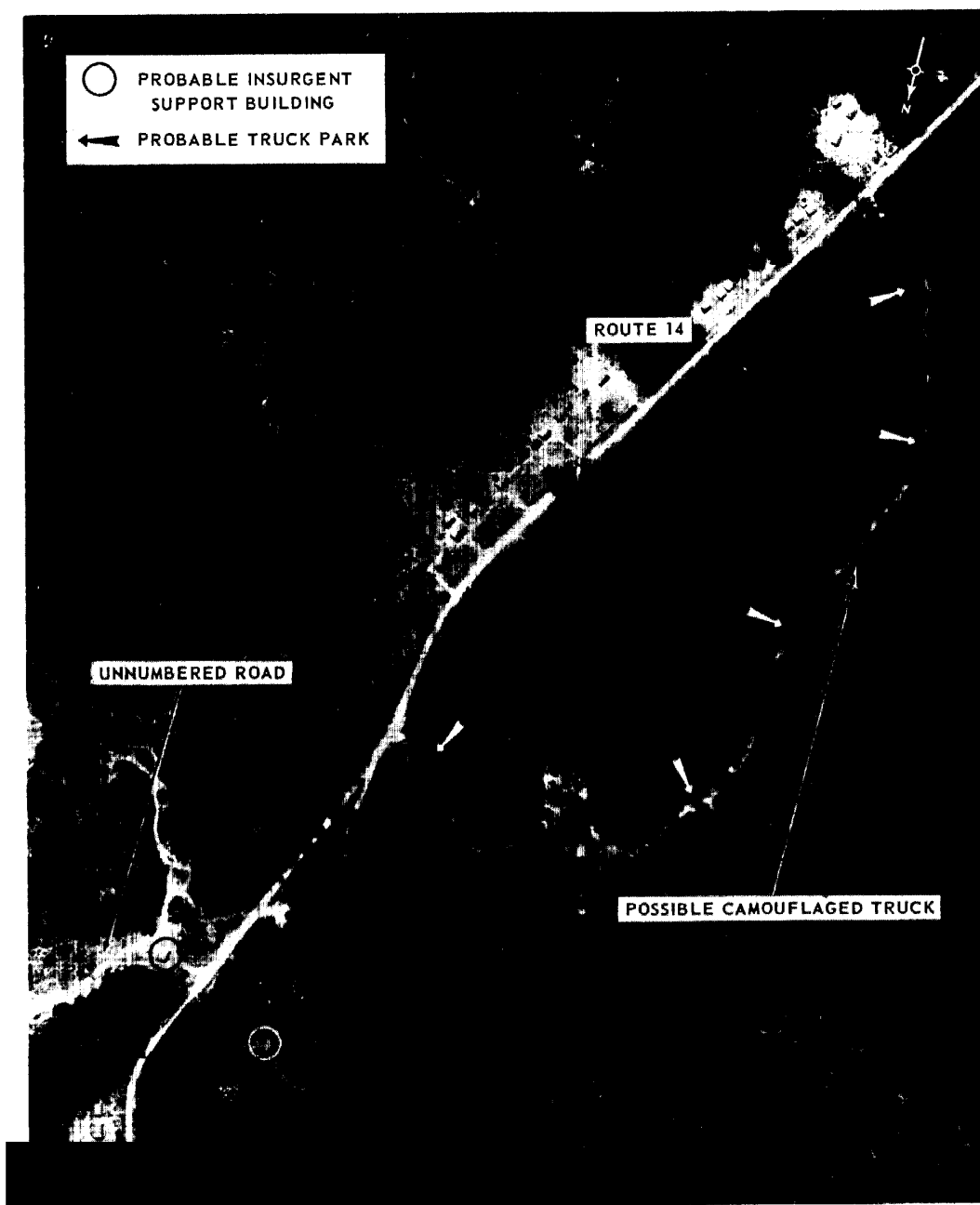
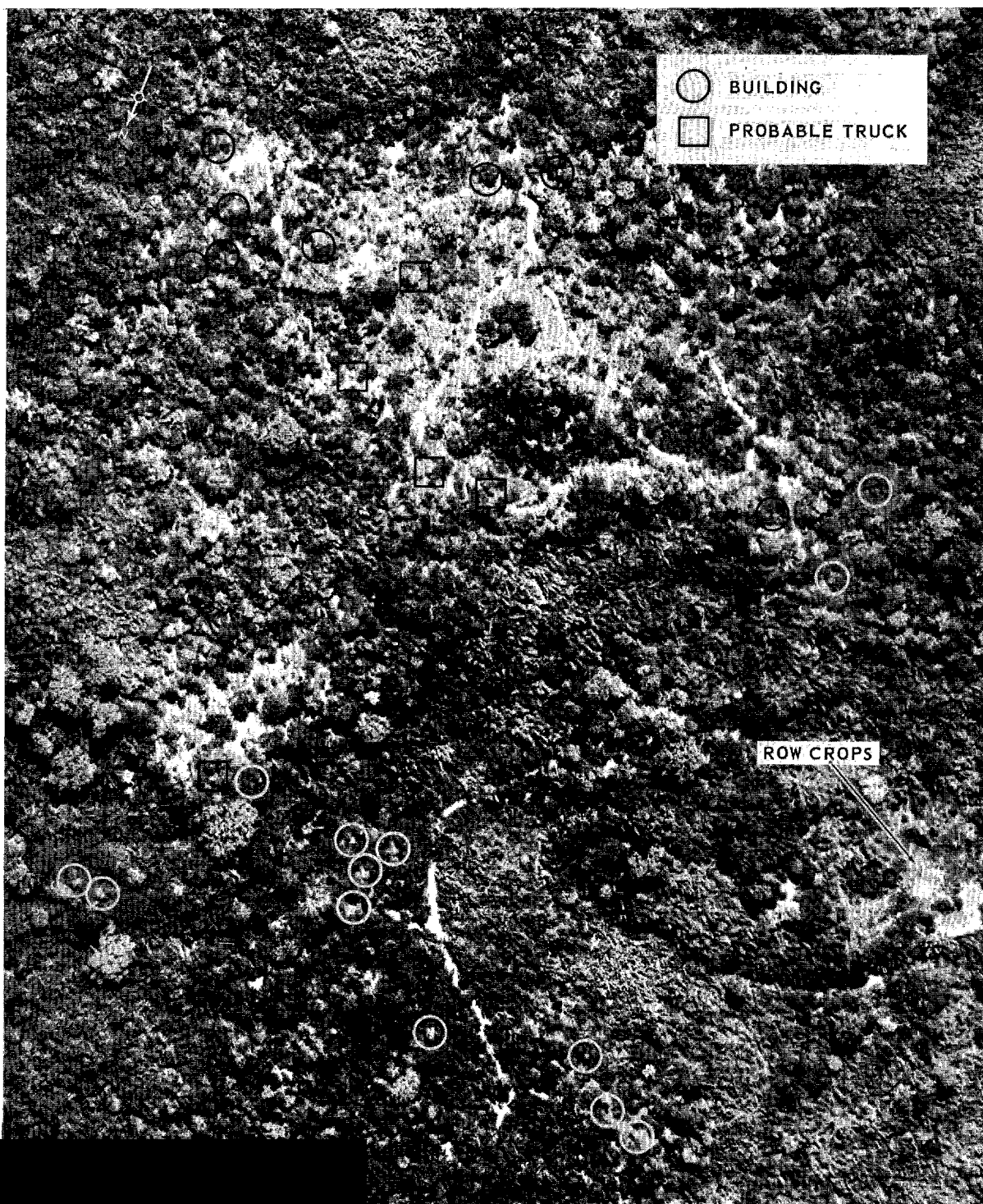


FIGURE 5. PROBABLE TRUCK PARK, ROUTE 14, CAMBODIA

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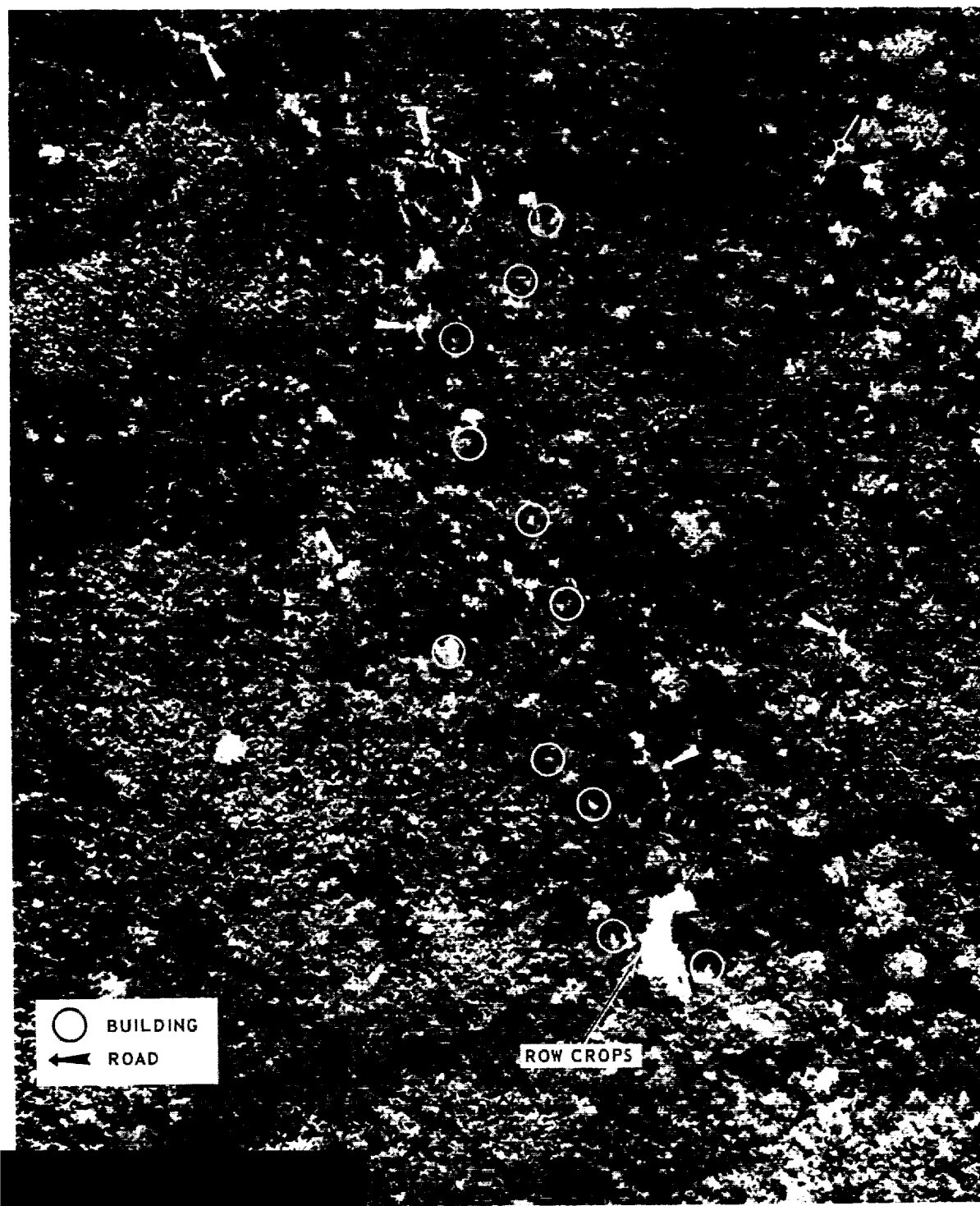
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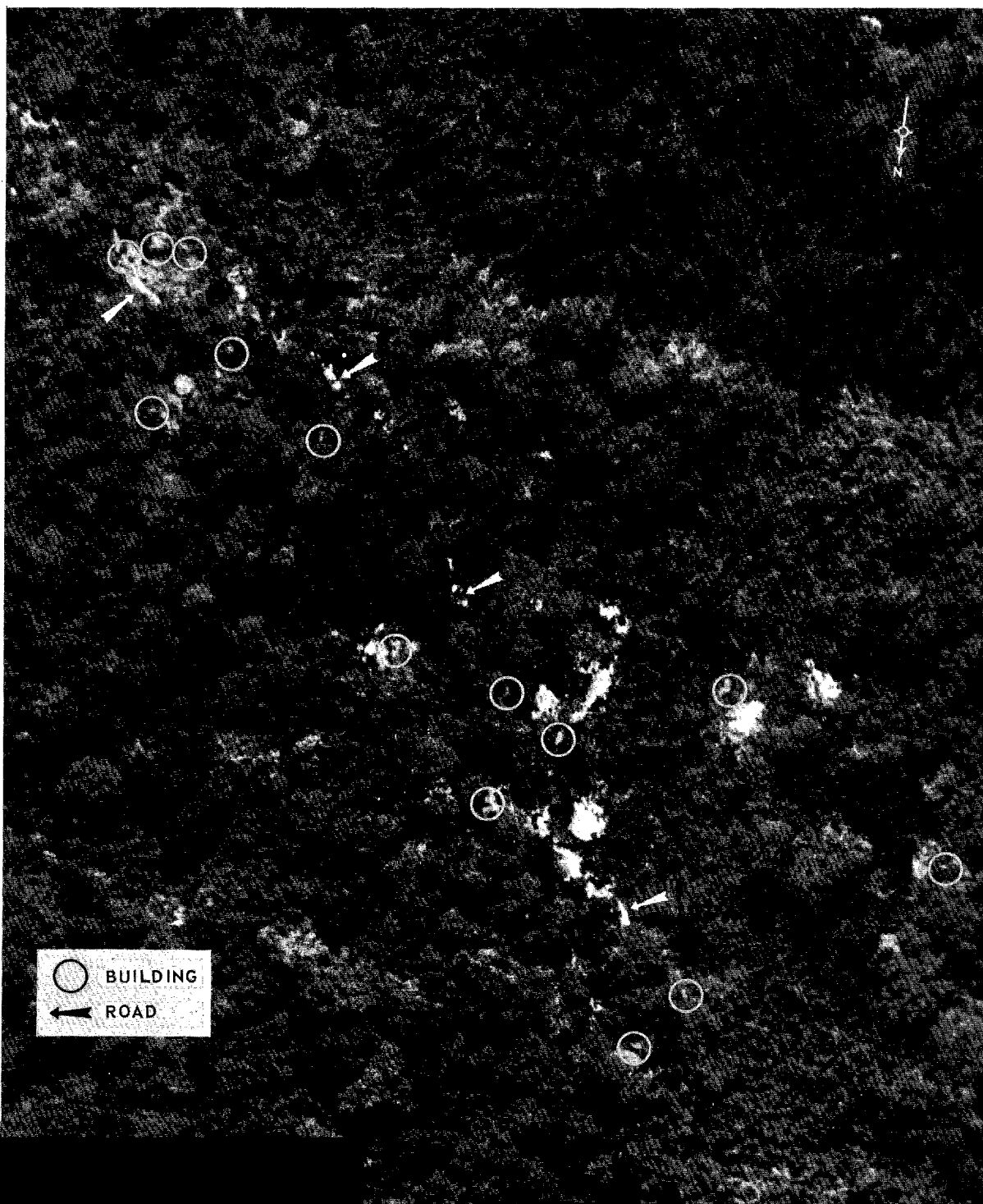
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FIGURE 6. PROBABLE INSURGENT ENCAMPMENT (56 BUILDINGS), CAMBODIA/SOUTH VIETNAM
BORDER AREA



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FIGURE 7. PROBABLE INSURGENT ENCAMPMENT (16 BUILDINGS), CAMBODIA/SOUTH VIETNAM BORDER AREA
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FIGURE 8. PROBABLE INSURGENT ENCAMPMENT (24 BUILDINGS), CAMBODIA/SOUTH VIETNAM
BORDER AREA

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4. Probable Insurgent Encampment, Prek Boeng Nang (Stream), Cambodia

A probable insurgent camp is located approximately 0.5 nm north of the Cambodia/South Vietnam Border in the vicinity of 10-55N 105-08E. Numerous partially concealed huts are scattered along both banks of the Prek Boeng Nang (stream) east, and then north, from UTM [REDACTED]. An approximate 1.6-nm trench system with regularly-spaced firing bays (Figure 12) and aligned foxholes (Figure 11) were interposed between the encampment and border on photography of [REDACTED]. Nine days earlier the trenches were in a late stage of construction with no foxholes apparent. There is extensive track activity throughout the area with a trail border crossing at [REDACTED] (Figure 9).

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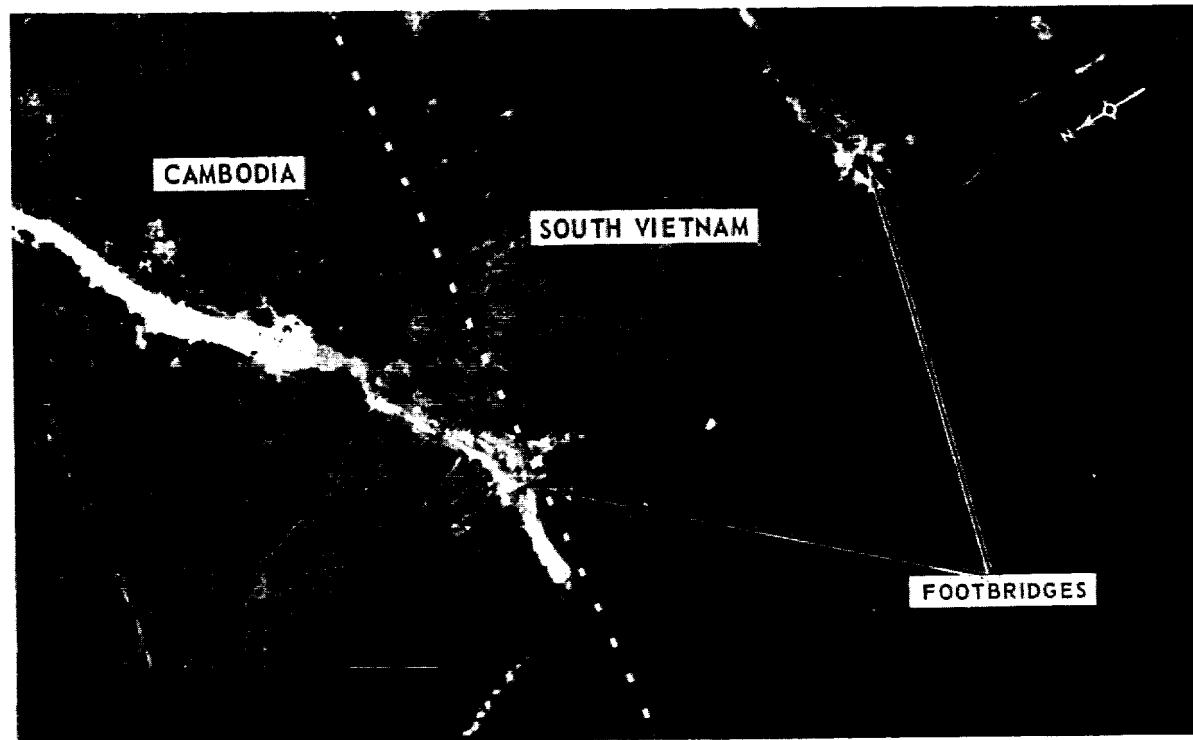


FIGURE 9. CAMBODIA/SOUTH VIETNAM BORDER CROSSING (10-55N 105-08E)

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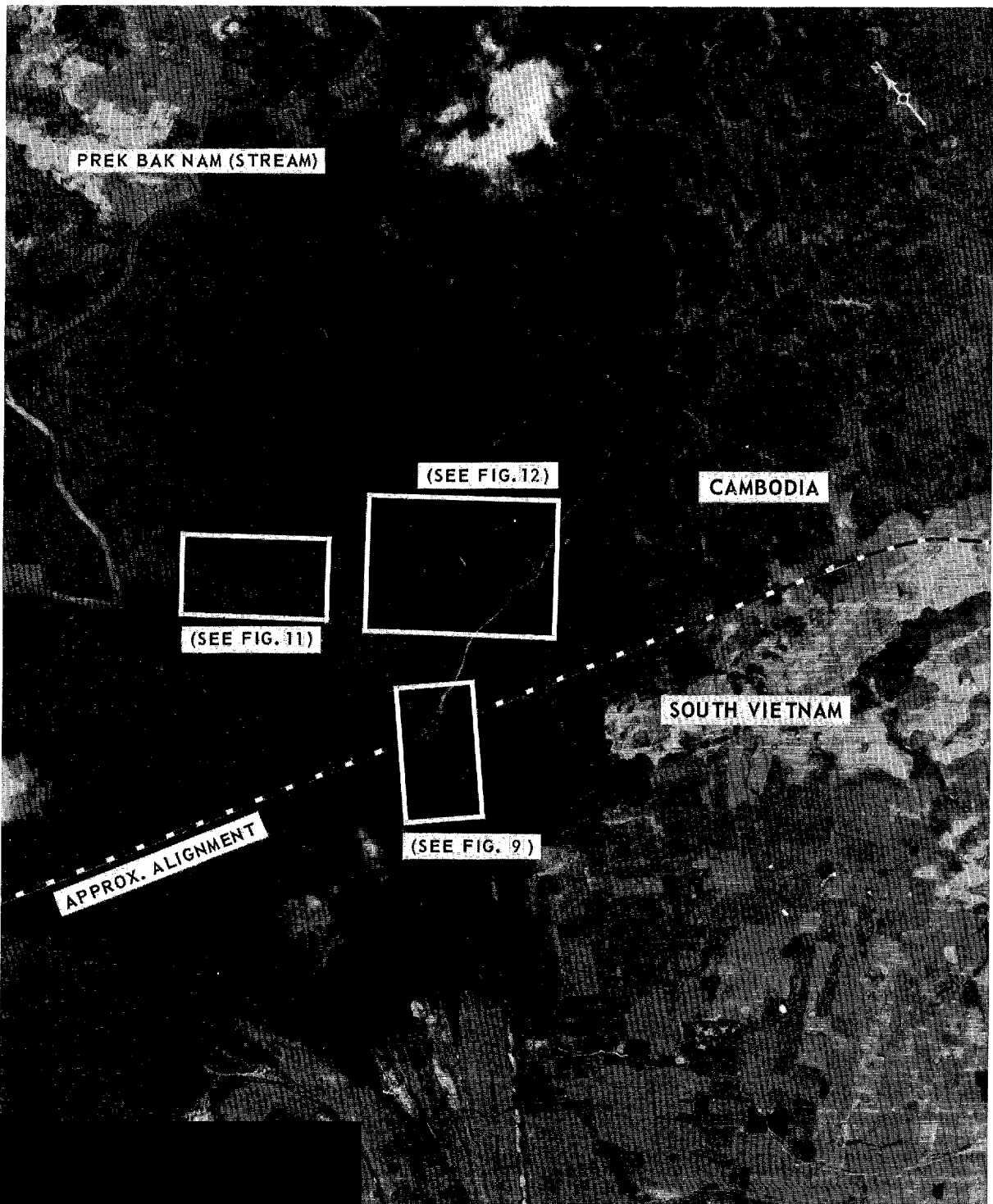


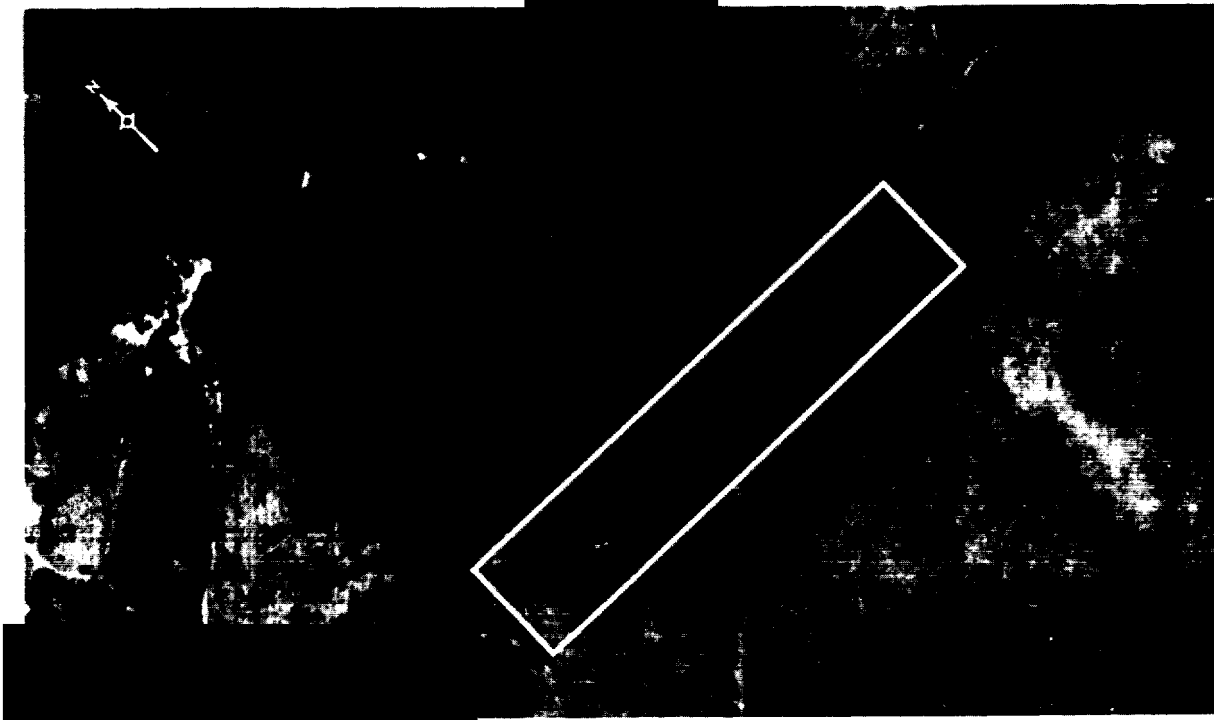
FIGURE 10. PROBABLE INSURGENT ENCAMPMENT (10-55N 105-08E) CAMBODIA/SOUTH VIETNAM BORDER AREA

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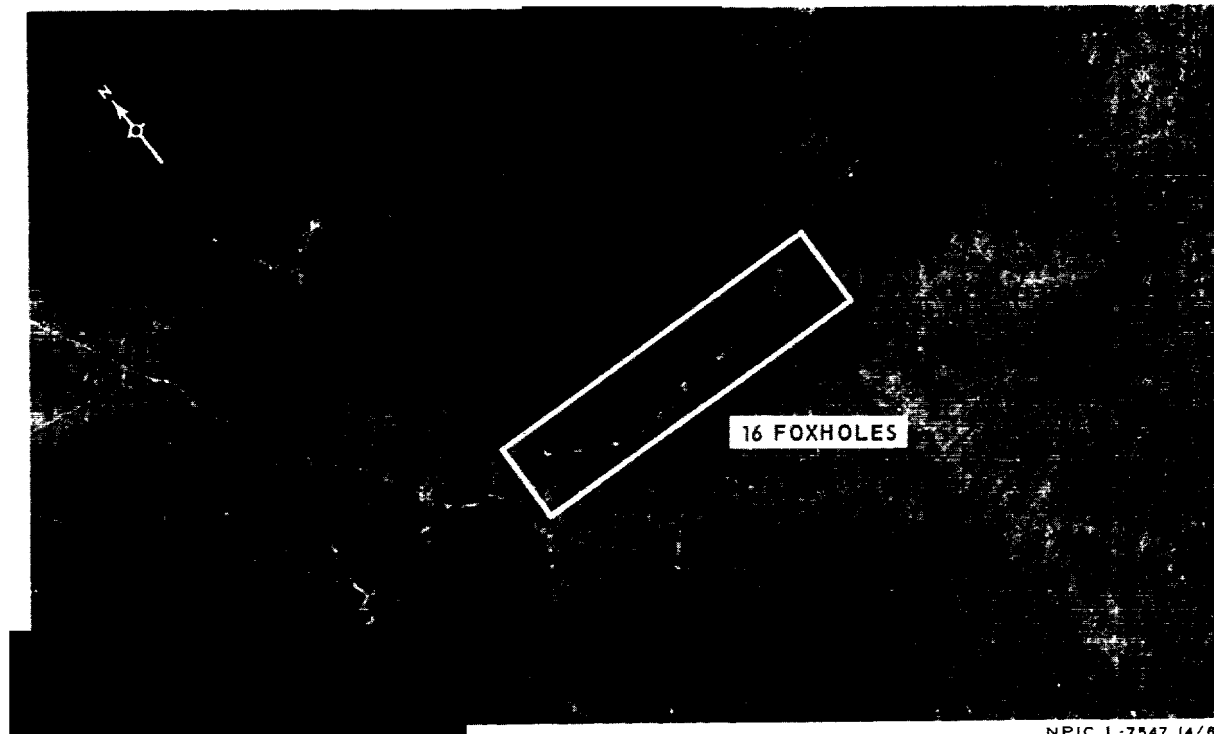
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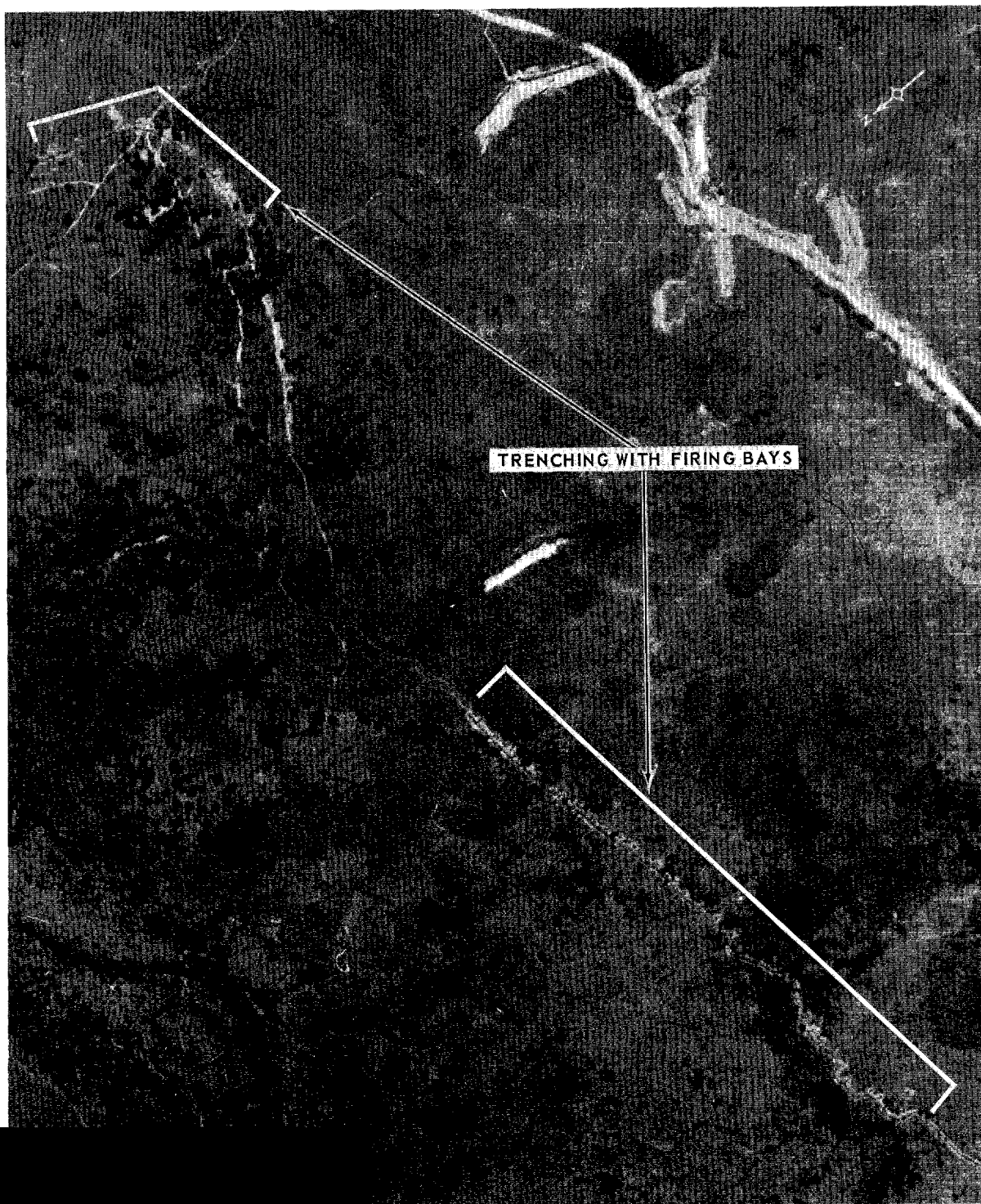
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FIGURE 11. DEFENSE POSITIONS, CAMBODIA/SOUTH VIETNAM BORDER AREA

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FIGURE 12. DEFENSE POSITIONS, CAMBODIA/SOUTH VIETNAM BORDER AREA

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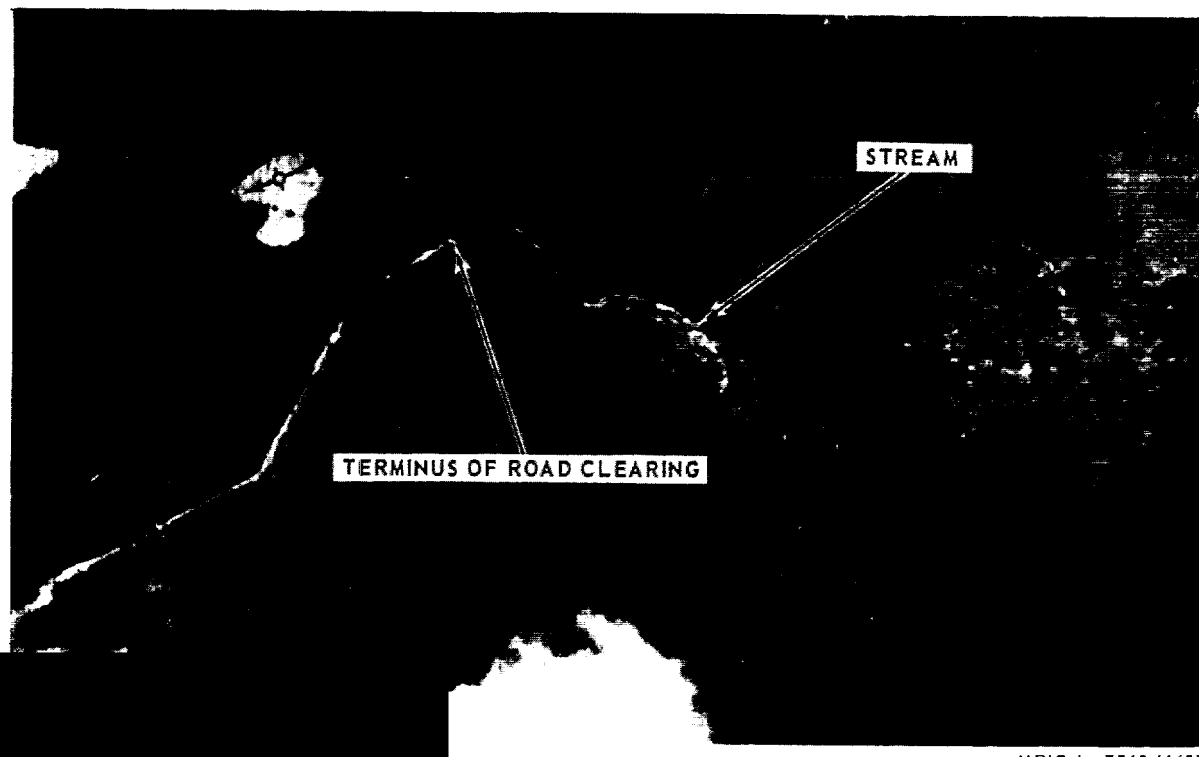
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This supplement photographically documents the serviceability of the Laos Route 922 extension to A Shau Airfield, South Vietnam, reported in Summary 42. Coverage has been obtained over the 6-nm photographic gap which existed at that time allowing connection of vehicle tracks along the entire extension.

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FIGURE 13. ROAD CONSTRUCTION (16-04N 107-20E), A SHAU AREA, SOUTH VIETNAM

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TERMINUS OF VEHICLE TRACKS

PRESENT TERMINUS OF VEHICLE TRACKS

ROUTE 922

ROUTE 547

ROUTE 548

LAOS

(FIG 15)

(FIG 14)

(FIG 13)

- EXTENSION OF VEHICLE TRACKS
- - - ROAD CLEARING OPERATION
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FIGURE 14. NEWLY COMPLETED ROAD (16-17N 107-12E), LAOS/SOUTH VIETNAM BORDER AREA

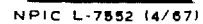
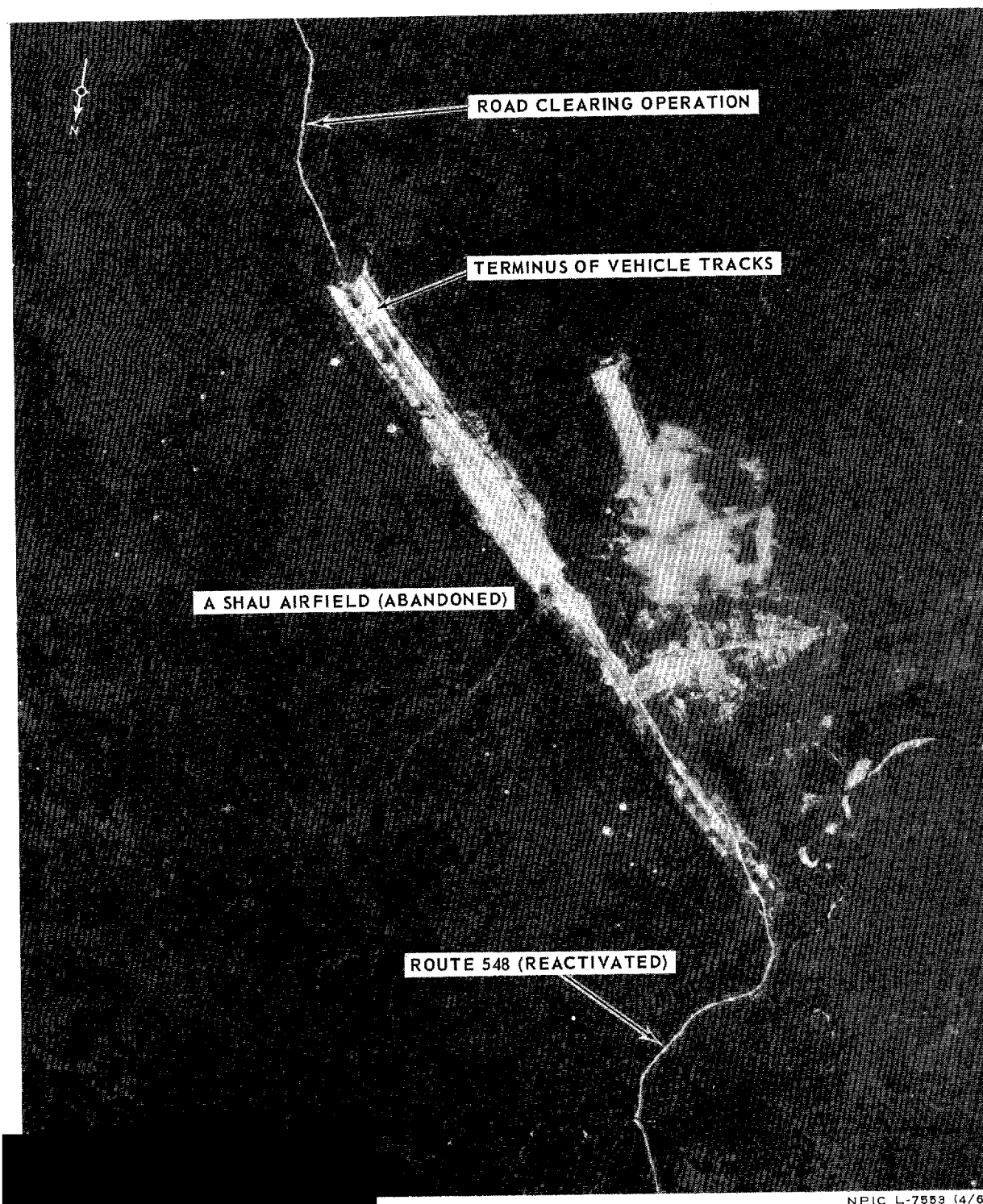


FIGURE 15. REACTIVATION OF SOUTH VIETNAM ROUTE 548 (16.12N 107.17E)



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FIGURE 16. SOUTHERN TERMINUS OF MOTORABLE INFILTRATION ROUTE, A SHAU, SOUTH VIETNAM

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